



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2802

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Center One Foundation provides holistic college and post secondary preparation, which means that we can work with high school students from 9th through 12th grade and assist them in deciding which of the four options after high school they will take: College, Military, Trade school, or work force. Our program is delivered through various models: Group & individual programs, College tours, College Fairs and workshops. Since 2013 we have helped students secure over 3 million dollars in scholarships and placed them into over 20 universities.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? No

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	150,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	150,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	150,000	56%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	35,000	13%
Other	85,000	31%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	270,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. Is future funding likely to be requested? Yes

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

In lieu of state funding fund raising campaigns, aggressive grant writing mixed with some fee for services would make up the difference.

10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

No



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If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning
 Design
 Construction
 N/A

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12. List the owners of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owners of the facility and the entity.

13. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	The Executive director is responsible for creating and maintaining community partnerships, the overall direction of the organization, communicate regularly with the BOD, create and manage the annual Budget, seek and apply for funding of the organization.	20,000
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Communications (Phone service) - \$2500, \$1000 website maintenance, \$800 office supplies, \$700 web services/subscription (Mail chimp, Prezi, Zoom, lpage website hosting)	5,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Accountant services including quickbooks and payroll software.	5,000
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Program coordinator is responsible for the organization and day of coordination of all college fairs, college tours and workshops. As well as manage school and community youth group partnerships. Instituting the Inspiring minds program. Contacting colleges, trade schools, Military recruiters to connect them with students.	70,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Insurance - \$1,000, marketing \$6,000, Facility rental \$10,000, College Tour transportation, \$20,000, College tour lodging \$13,000	50,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		150,000

14. Program Performance

a. What specific purpose or goal will be achieved by the funds requested?



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The funds from this request will support our programs: Community workshop, The Inspiring Minds program, Spring break College tour, HBCU Legacy College Fair, and Path to Dreams programs all provide students with opportunities to interact with colleges and universities, explore various post high school options, develop a plan to be successful with the path they choose, and to be thoughtful. Taking the programs collectively, we look to increase the number of students who are accepted into college, trade school, or military; help students secure \$1,000,000 in scholarships to fund college or trade school education; and reduce the overall burden of post secondary education.

b. What activities and services will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?

The Inspiring Minds program (group based) and Path to Dreams (individual based) programs are curriculum based year round programs that provide students with consistent support to achieve their post secondary goals. We will also have workshops for the general public and host a college tour and HBCU college fair so students can be taken to campuses or meet admissions officers.

c. What direct services will be provided to citizens by the appropriation project?

All services listed in section B will be provided to families with high school (9th - 12th grade) students within the first coast area (Nassau, Duval, Clay, Baker and St. John's Counties).

d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?

We target moderate to low income high school students, typically between the ages of 14 – 18. We will target Title I high schools in Jacksonville that serve the urban core (32206, 32208, 32209), Northwest side(32218, 32219), Arlington (32277, 32211) and Southside (32216, 32246, 32207).

Our goal for the 2024/2025 year is to serve 1,000 students for the year through our various programs.

e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?

Serve 1,000 students, 90% of the high school seniors in the Inspiring Minds or Path to Dreams programs will either be accepted to a college or trade school, enlist in the military, or have a job by the end of the program. Take 30 students on the Spring Break College Tour, 800 students attending the HBCU Legacy College Fair. We will measure our impact via surveys, student tracking, and event tracking to collect data on student participation, student choices after high school, admission/enlistment into college, trade school, or the military, and scholarship dollars.

f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for the contract?

The organization will be subjected to a 10% clawback of funding.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**

16. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization

b. Municipality and County

c. Organization Type

For Profit Entity



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- Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- Local Entity
- University or College
- Other (please specify)

d. First Name **Last Name**

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number